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INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 PM-03 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15

INRE-00 L-02 USIE-00 PRS-01 INR-07 CIAE-00 DODE-00

MC-02 ACDA-05 PA-01 /050 R

DRAFTED BY ETF:RAROTH

APPROVED BY ETF:RSBARRETT

S/S-O:PSHANKLE

ETF:AHUMMEL

ETF:WBCOOTE

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMCONSUL ASMARA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINS, MASS, MOPS, ET, US

SUBJECT: EPMG PROTESTS PUBLIC REFERENCES TO ITS AMMUNITION  
REPLENISHMENT REQUEST

REFS: (A) ADDIS 1877; (B) STATE 35890; (C) STATE 39909

(D) ADDIS 1907

1. PRESS GUIDANCE SENT IN REF B WAS USED VERBATIM  
BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN. STATEMENT WAS ISSUED  
BY DEPARTMENT IN RESPONSE TO AP TICKER ITEM AND SUBSEQUENT  
PRESS REPORTS IN US QUOTING "RELIABLE ETHIOPIAN SOURCES AS  
SAYING THE EPMG HAS ASKED THE USG FOR AN EMERGENCY AIRLIFT  
OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION TO REPLACE BULLETS FIRED AGAINST  
ERITREAN GUERRILLAS." LEAK SEEMS TO HAVE SPRUNG FROM  
ETHIOPIAN SIDE FIRST. WE CONTINUE SENSITIVE TO EPMG'S  
PROTESTS BUT CANNOT PREVENT NEWSINQUIRIES.

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2. USIA IS SENDING VERBATIM TEXTS TO EMBASSY OF VOA BROAD-

CASTS RE AMMUNITION REQUESTS BY EPMG. MAW

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## Message Attributes

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